

Our next topic is...

Under the Sea

This is a fantastic summer topic which starts thinking about the creatures that live under the sea and how we can care for them and then pirates, summer holidays and trips to the beach!

Milestone

Each topic includes a "Milestone Moment" that the children will experience. This topic our Milestone Moments are linked to our school values...

Hope - we are going to take the children on a litter pick to make a positive change!

Generosity - We're going to create tasty snacks to share with guests (at our Sports Day - more details below!)

These Prime Areas (below) are fundamental to all we do. They will continue to be a priority each day through structured and incidental interactions. **Please can you help us at home by helping your child learn how to put on their own shoes, socks and coats!**

Communication and Language

1. Listening, attention and Understanding, 2. Speaking

Personal, Social and Emotional

Development

3. Self-regulation, 4. Managing self, 5. Building relationships

Physical Development

6. Gross Motor skills, 7. Fine motor skills

Literacy

8. Comprehension
9. Word reading
10. Writing

We have some fantastic key texts including:

Rainbow Fish, Sharing a Shell, Clean Up, Someone Swallowed Stanley, Pirates in Classroom 3

We will also look at some poems about Summer and some non-fiction texts as we learn more about the creatures that live under the sea.

Mathematics

11. Number
12. Numerical patterns

The Nursery children will be busy with lots of practical explorations exploring weight, capacity, positional language, counting and subitising.

The reception children will be busy problem solving in various ways, particularly focused on number bonds, evens and odds, double facts and how

Understanding the World

13. Past and Present
14. People, Culture and Communities
15. The Natural World

We will be learning about lots of the incredible creatures that live under the sea and how we can care for them.

We'll also talk about the season of Summer and have some fun thinking about things that melt on a warm day!

Expressive arts and design

16. Creating with materials
17. Being imaginative and expressive

We will be singing lots of topical songs (see below for some of the songs we will be learning).

We will be creating lots of art using paint, collage, clay, pens and pencils.

We will have a under the sea role play to have lots of adventures in (we'd love some

The reception children will also be practising their writing in various ways including creating a poster, writing a poem and writing a fact file.

quantities can be distributed equally.

help with this - please see below!)

Key Vocabulary

Sea, ocean, fish, shark, whale, crab, octopus, squid, coral, anemone, plastic, pollution, protect, care, pirate, ship, adventure, season, Summer weather, daylight, sun, shade, hat, sunscreen, summer, holiday, beach, seaside

Memos

- PE for this term will return to being on a Monday afternoon. Children can wear their PE clothes all day on a Monday. As the weather improves we may take our PE outside so please make sure your child has trainers or plimsoles. (If you're not sure what counts as PE clothes, just ask!)
- Forest School continues to be on a Tuesday morning, please send children dressed ready for their adventures! We will help them change afterwards. Even in the warmer weather long sleeves, long trousers and wellies are essential!
- Please do send in a named sun hat and a named sun cream for us to keep in school and use on sunny days. When needed, we ask that you apply sun cream in the morning and we will reapply at lunchtime!
- We have our "Stop and See" session every Wednesday 2.45-3.15 for you to pop in and see what's going on inside Apple Tree Class!
- On Thursday 14th July we will be taking the children on a trip to the Cotswold Wildlife Park - more details coming soon!
- Apple Tree Class will be having our Sports Day on Tuesday 12th July 10.30-12 (there will be NO Forest School on this day) Come along with a chair or a picnic rug to watch. We are also inviting you to join us for a snack afterwards in Apple Tree Class. (If the weather is wet then our plan B will be to hold this event on Tuesday 19th July)
- **We would love some help collecting some objects for our role play area... are you able to donate any of the following? Inflatable dingy, goggles, snorkel, nets, bucket, spade, beach towels, small suit cases or beach bags - THANK YOU!**
- We have planned some transition afternoons for reception to visit Year 1. So, in the final few weeks of the term they'll be popping over a couple of times a week for a story in Oak Class.

Topical Songs

Row, Row, Row your boat

1, 2, 3, 4, 5 once I caught a fish alive

Five Little Fishes

(Sing to the tune of 'Five Little Ducks Went Swimming One Day')

Five little fishes swimming in the sea, Singing,
"Hey Mr Shark, you can't catch me!" Along
came Mr Shark, hungry for his tea, And he
snapped one fish up... Oh dear me!

Four little fishes swimming in the sea, Singing,
"Hey Mr Shark, you can't catch me!" Along
came Mr Shark, hungry for his tea, And he
snapped one fish up... Oh dear me!

Three little fishes swimming in the sea, Singing,
"Hey Mr Shark, you can't catch me!" Along
came Mr Shark, hungry for his tea, And he
snapped one fish up... Oh dear me!

Two little fishes swimming in the sea, Singing,
"Hey Mr Shark, you can't catch me!" Along
came Mr Shark, hungry for his tea, And he
snapped one fish up... Oh dear me!

One little fish, swimming in the sea, Singing,
"Hey Mr Shark, you can't catch me!" Along
came Mr Shark, hungry for his tea, And he
snapped that fish up... Oh dear me!

We're Going for a Paddle

(Sing to the tune of 'Ring-a-Ring O' Roses'.)

We're going for a paddle.
We're going for a big splash.
A wave comes along,
And back we dash.

Fishes in the water.
Fishes in the sea.
We all jump up with a 1, 2, 3!

